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1. The Chinese Communists are instituting large-scale democratic reform (min chu kai ko 民主改革) movements in all cities of China. This democratic reform is similar to the land reform campaigns in the villages, although the types of people against whom they struggle and the procedures of the struggle are different.
2. The aims of the democratic reform campaign are to consolidate Chinese Communist political authority in the cities, to purge labor groups, to build up new Communist institutions, and to intensify the Communist influence among the people.
3. The reform will extend to all feudalistic and monopolistic institutions which have counterrevolutionary elements, to factories and trades under feudalistic influence, and to roads and lanes whose inhabitants consist primarily of such elements.
4. The objectives of the reform will include the purge of those people who have misrepresented their actions since the liberation and have continued to control the populace and to obstruct the development of production. These are the people who, before the liberation, were oppressive in politics and were exploiters in economic activities. Capitalists and technicians are not included in this category because they gained their managerial positions through their capital and technical knowledge. Consequently, capital-labor relations, master-apprentice relations, and credit relations are not regarded as targets of the reform.
5. All revolutionary strata, including Communists, democratic parties and groups, and democratic personages, will participate in this campaign. They must use specific examples rather than generalities as a basis for the campaign in each locality.
6. The procedure which follows is applied to a factory. For other organizations the same plan will be adjusted to suit the requirements.
 - a. Accusation meetings to wipe out reaction should be held over a period of one or two months using suppression of counterrevolutionaries as the major theme.

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- b. Using opposition to feudalistic remnants as a theme, meetings should be held to present concrete cases against thugs, gang leader, and leaders of secret societies and similar groups hidden in the factory. This phase should normally cover a period of one to two months.
- c. A period of about two weeks will be used for a confession movement in which all personnel must confess honestly their past mistakes, thereby cleansing themselves of all taints of guilt.
- d. A period of about two weeks will be used for insurance registration so that workers who remain in the factory after the democratic reform will be assured of their jobs.
- e. In a two-week campaign for solidarity everyone from the factory manager to the laborers must engage in mutual criticism and self-criticism, seeking out the existence of bureaucratic practices, factional strife, corrupt practices, and the doctrine of relying upon commands.⁴
- f. Upon completion of the above five steps the factory should be clean and ready to begin movements for increasing normal production. This should be accomplished by the reorganization of management, re-assignment of personnel, large-scale promotion of cadres, reorganization of the labor union, and reforms in congresses of employee union representatives and in the factory management committee. After this, inter-machine production meetings should be strengthened, various organizations should be established, and the system of financial auditing should be introduced.

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1. [REDACTED] The phraseology of this report suggests that it may have come from a Chinese Communist directive to political workers.

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